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To the Honorable Judge Kollar-Kotally:

I am writing to express my concern that Microsoft is getting off the hook for its illegal monopolistic activities. The current Proposed Final Judgment announced by the Justice Department fails to deal with the illegal activities pointed out by past court investigations and rulings. It would be wrong and bad for the public well-being to allow this to happen. I hope that you will take action to do what is lawful, just, and in the public interest, not what is in the interest of Microsoft.

When every personal computer sold in America, apart from Apple computers, carries Microsoft software as its primary mode of operation, it is apparent that they have totally cornered the market. This was the finding of the latest court decision. Therefore, Microsoft's illegal hold on the market should be broken and Microsoft should be denied the fruits of its past violations, just as the Appellate court ruled. I hope that you will uphold this ruling and take appropriate action.

Finally, I hope you will make it impossible for Microsoft to carry on any future anticompetitive activity. I have friends who work in the computer industry, and they have verified that Microsoft indeed engages in this type of activity, much to their dismay. Our country and economy thrive on competition and the freedom to develop and market new products. Microsoft has the money and power to squelch all competition and to continue to further their own interests at everyone else's expense.

Therefore, you are really the last hope of doing something to stop them. Please do so. This is a huge and incredibly important decision. Please do all that you can to end this monopoly. I appeal to you as a public servant to indeed do that which is in the interest of the citizens whom you serve. Illegal activity should be ended, not pandered to and empowered to continue.

Sincerely yours,

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